

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (62-77787-240)

DATE: April 7, 1967

FROM : SAC, Denver (100-9378) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNITED NATIONS
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Re New York letter to Bureau dated 3/21/67.

Information
Handling Services, Inc., 5500 South Valentia, Englewood, Colorado, which owns and operates the Visual Search Microfilm File (VSMF), furnished the following information to SA on March 28, 1967:

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VSMF assembles data regarding manufactured items from the majority of large manufacturing companies in the United States and catalogs them by specific item and places them in the following information systems to meet specific user needs:

VSMF Product Data Files for Engineering Departments Containing Information on:

Electrical Components
Instruments and Indicators
Electronic Components
Power Transmission Equipment
Non-Metallic Materials
Engineering Department Equipment
Fasteners
Engines and Motors
Fluid System Parts
Metals
Mechanical Components
Production/Processing Components

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He stated that they had received an inquiry from their Japanese affiliate named Nippon VSMF advising that the Commercial Attache at Tokyo wanted to purchase the service, namely, the OEM File. He stated that he discussed this matter with [redacted] and with the Department of Commerce. He stated that in this particular file there is no information of classified status and that it applies primarily to commercial equipment manufacturing firms.

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[redacted] explained his system as follows:

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If a manufacturer desired to purchase a snap switch for a certain purpose, instead of having to review the catalogs of 100 electrical equipment manufacturers, all the specifications regarding this one specific item appear together on the VSMF file.

[redacted] stated that he would cooperate with the U. S. Government in any way regarding the use of VSMF system. He stated that he did not think their agency would make available to any Soviet bloc country their files pertaining to defense manufacturing even though the material was not classified.

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[redacted] stated that these files are on microfilm and the microfilm viewer equipment is rented to a user. The cost of the OEM Design File, for example, would be \$7,200 a year and the contract provides that although individual items may be reproduced, the film cannot be reproduced nor can the material from the film be disseminated outside of the user's business.

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[redacted] Denver, advised on March 28, 1967, that he had been in contact with [redacted] on several occasions and, [redacted]

[redacted] stated that [redacted] organization is associated with International Publishing Company, which is a marketing service in Europe with headquarters in London, and with Nippon VSMF located in Tokyo. [redacted] stated that the Tokyo representative is MOTOO SHIINA. SHIINA is the son of the former Japanese foreign minister. [redacted] stated that [redacted] contacted him on March 17, 1967, and advised that he

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had received an inquiry from MOTOO SHIINA advising that the Rumanian Commercial Attache at Tokyo wanted to purchase the OEM File. [redacted] explained that he advised [redacted] of the responsibilities [redacted] and suggested that he might want to contact the Department of Commerce regarding this matter.

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It is to be noted that [redacted]
[redacted] is very well thought of in the Denver metropolitan business community.

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[redacted] and his organization will assist the U. S. Government in connection with investigations of any nature.